HOUSE BILL 1534

By Windle

AN ACT to amend Chapter 130 of the Acts of 1907; as amended by Chapter 375 of the Acts of 1909; Chapter 495 of the Private Acts of 1947; Chapter 535 of the Private Acts of 1953 and Chapter 58 of the Private Acts of 2001; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the term of office of the mayor of the Town of Livingston.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Chapter 130 of the Acts of 1907, Chapter 375 of the Acts of 1909, Chapter 495 of the Private Acts of 1947, Chapter 58 of the Private Acts of 2001, and all other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting Section 2 in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

Section 2. Be it further enacted, That the government of said Town shall be vested in a Mayor and six (6) Aldermen. Beginning with the June 2008 election, upon the expiration of the terms of the Mayor and Aldermen, the Mayor and Aldermen shall be elected from the Town at-large for four-year terms by all persons eligible to vote in Town elections.

SECTION 2. Section 3 of Chapter 130 of the Acts of 1907, and all other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting from the first sentence in the first paragraph of Section 3 the language "two" and by substituting instead the language "four (4)".

SECTION 3. Section 13 of Chapter 130 of the Acts of 1907, Chapter 535 of the Private Acts of 1953, Chapter 58 of the Private Acts of 2001, and all other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by deleting in subsection (a) the language "Mayor for two (2) Years commencing on the 1st day of September" and by substituting instead the language "Mayor for four (4) years commencing on the 1st day of September".

SECTION 4. Nothing in this act shall be construed as having the effect of removing any incumbent from office or abridging the term of any official prior to the end of the term for which such official was elected.

SECTION 5. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a majority of the number of qualified voters of the Town of Livingston voting in an election on the question of whether or not the act should be approved. The ballots used in the regular election to be held on June 4, 2008, shall have printed on them the substance of this act and the voters shall vote for or against its approval. The votes cast on the question shall be canvassed and the results proclaimed by the county election commissioners and certified by them to the secretary of state as provided by law in the case of general elections. The qualifications of voters voting on the question shall be the same as those required for participation in general elections. All laws applicable to general elections shall apply to the determination of the approval or rejection of this act.

SECTION 6. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, as provided in Section 5, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, the provisions of the act shall be effective only upon being approved by referendum as provided in Section 5, the public welfare requiring it.

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